

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

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1. The 17 Militia Brigade is located in Arad at Strada Victor Babes 4-6 in the building formerly occupied by the gendarmerie. The commander is Lt. General Constantin Moraru.
2. The brigade is divided into 10 regiments of two battalions each. Battalions have four companies, of 70 to 80 men. There is also a staff battalion for the brigade, about 300 strong, all officers and noncommissioned officers who handle the criminal police service. They are all professionals in this line of work.
3. The period of service in the militia is 27 months, nine months of training and 18 months of duty.
4. In the Arad area the arrangement of assignments is:
  - a. Militia Section Northwest: Area assigned to the 4 Militia Regiment. Barracks at Strada Marasesti 15, the former police barracks. Commander is Lt. Colonel Nistor Gobjila. Strength: 17 officers, 82 noncommissioned officers, 225 men. Armed with automatic hand weapons, no heavy weapons.
  - b. Militia Section South: Assigned to the 9 Militia Regiment. Barracks at Strada Eugen Podier 25, formerly Horvath Boldisar. Commander, Colonel Alexandru Rosu. Strength: 13 officers, 79 noncommissioned officers, 218 men. Armed with automatic hand weapons, no heavy weapons.
  - c. Militia Section East: Assigned to the 11 Militia Regiment. Barracks at Strada Aurel Vlaicu 56. Commander, Colonel Mircea Tatu. Strength: 15 officers, 96 noncommissioned officers, 234 men. Armed with automatic weapons, no heavy weapons.
5. The militia in Arad handle general police service, including traffic and public security. Political offenses fall under the MIA.

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6. In the Arad rayon there are three militia regiments as follows:

- a. 14 Militia Regiment in the Pecica area. The regimental staff is in Pecica at Calea Aradului 27. Commander, Lt. Colonel Avram Vartej. Each company has two light machine guns, ZB 36 type. The guard posts of this regiment are:

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Noncommissioned Officers</u>	<u>Men</u>
Sampetrul German:			
Staff of the 1 Battalion			
2 Platoons of the 1 Company	3	10	38
Pecica - Regimental Staff	3	7	23
2 Platoons of 1 Company	1	6	32
Rovine - 2 Company	2	14	73
Peregrul - 3 Company	2	16	78
Turnu - 4 Company	2	11	72
Curtici			
Staff of the 2 Battalion	2	3	8
5 Company	3	18	80
Madea - 6 Company	2	15	68
Iratos - 7 Company	2	13	75
Dorobanti - 8 Company	3	15	73

- b. 15a Militia Regiment in the Siria area. The regimental staff is in Siria on Calea Octatii 35. Strength: 4 officers, 6 noncommissioned officers, 26 men. Commander, Colonel Gheorghe Firica. Each company has two light machine guns. The guard posts are:

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Noncommissioned Officers</u>	<u>Men</u>
Covasinti			
Staff of 1 Battalion	2	6	15
1 Company	1	18	70
Firiteaz - 2 Company	1	15	68
Horia - 3 Company	1	18	78
Mandruloc - 4 Company	1	12	67
Masca - Staff of 2 Battalion	2	4	11
2 Platoons of 5 Company	1	7	38
Siria - 2 Platoons of 5 Company	1	6	32
Pancota - 6 Company	1	14	74
Livada - 7 Company	1	12	70
Zimandul-Nou - 8 Company	1	16	79

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- c. The 19a Militia Regiment is in the Semlac area. Regimental staff is at Semlac. Commander, Colonel Emil Pascu. Each company has two light machine guns. The guard posts are:

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Noncommissioned Officers</u>	<u>Men</u>
Gelu - Staff of 1 Battalion 1 Company	2 1	4 16	12 72
Nadlac - 2 Company	1	13	74
Mailat - 3 Company	1	18	68
Secusigiu - 4 Company	1	15	70
Vinga - Staff of 2 Battalion 5 Company	2 1	5 18	16 74
Varias - 6 Company	1	12	65
Seitin - 7 Company	1	13	65
Semlac - 8 Company	1	14	75

7. The Cris rayon has the 27a Regiment of militia. One battalion is in the Cris area and one in that of Simand. The regimental staff is in Chisineu-Cris. Commander, Colonel Matei Blaic. Strength: 3 officers, 7 noncommissioned officers, 16 men. The guard posts are:

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Noncommissioned Officers</u>	<u>Men</u>
Adea - Staff of 1 Battalion 1 Company	2 1	4 16	13 76
Chisineu Cris - 2 Company	1	14	70
Tipar - 3 Company	1	12	68
Zerind - 4 Company	1	17	79
Simand - Staff of 2 Battalion 5 Company	2 1	5 16	17 74
Cintei - 6 Company	1	14	69
Nadab - 7 Company	1	18	79
Socodor - 8 Company	1	14	65

8. The Gurahont rayon has the 31 Militia Regiment. The regimental staff is at Gurahont. Commander is Colonel Traian Damian. Strength: 3 officers, 6 noncommissioned officers, 15 men. The guard posts are:

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Noncommissioned Officers</u>	<u>Men</u>
Gurahont - staff of 1 Battalion 1 Company	1 1	3 12	10 65
Almas - 2 Company	1	16	70
Buhani - 3 Company	1	10	62

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Dezna - 4 Company	1	13	68
Dieci - Staff of 2 Battalion 5 Company	2 1	3 18	10 79
Haimagiu - 6 Company	1	17	75
Saturau (sic) 7 Company	1	14	70
Zimbru - 8 Company	1	12	64

9. The Ineu rayon has the 10a Militia Regiment. Regimental staff at Ineu, at Strada Republicii 16. Commander, Colonel Ionel Urzica. Strength: 2 Officers 5 noncommissioned officers, 13 men. The guard posts are:

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Noncommissioned Officers</u>	<u>Men</u>
Bocsig			
Staff of 1 Battalion	2	5	9
1 Company	1	14	67
Draut - 2 Company	1	12	76
Gurba - 3 Company	1	15	70
Tauti - 4 Company	1	13	76
Beliu - Staff of 2 Battalion 5 Company	1 1	4 12	12 70
Buteni - 6 Company	1	15	63
Rapsig - 7 Company	1	12	70
Susag - 8 Company	1	14	72

10. The Lipova rayon has the 7a Militia Regiment. The regimental staff is in Lipova, on Strada 6 Martie. Commander, Lt. Colonel Victor Paun. Strength: 2 officers, 6 noncommissioned officers, 16 men. The guard posts are:

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Noncommissioned Officers</u>	<u>Men</u>
Lipova - 1 Company	1	13	70
Bogda - 2 Company	1	12	75
Chesint - 3 Company	1	17	72
Ghioroc - Staff of 1 Battalion 4 Company	2 1	5 14	17 64
Masloc - Staff of 2 Battalion 5 Company	2 1	7 16	15 76
Paulis - 6 Company	1	15	75
Sambateni - 7 Company	1	18	78
Zabratni - 8 Company	1	12	75

11. The Sannicolaul Mare rayon has not yet received a complement of militia. Security there is handled by the MAF.

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